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**AMENDMENT**

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This Amendment is being filed in response to the Official Action of the Examiner mailed June 18, 2007, setting a three-month shortened statutory period for response ending September 18, 2007.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 6 of this paper and include both attached replacement sheets and annotated sheets showing changes.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following page 7 of this paper.